

**2009-2010 Special Session  
State Legislative Special Session Report**

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**Bills Amended Or With Changed Status Since The Last Board Meeting**

**ABX3 9** (Evans) Redirection of First 5 Funds

Version: Amended 02/14/2009

Sponsor: Author

Status: 02/15/2009-*Inactive file*

This bill would redirect California Children and Families Commission ("First 5") funds among its existing accounts and would require balances of at least \$340 million in these accounts that are not encumbered or expended by July 1, 2009, to be redirected to support state health and human services programs for children up to age five.

**Bills That Remained Unchanged Since The Previous Board Meeting**

**ABX3 24** (Jones) Conformity with SCHIP Law

Version: Introduced 01/22/2009

Sponsor: Author

Status: 01/22/2009-Bill contains only intent language thus far

This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation implementing specified changes to federal law reauthorizing the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP).

**SBX3 25** (Cox) Abolition of First 5 and Redirection of Funds to HFP and Medi-Cal

Version: Introduced 02/10/2009

Sponsor: Author

Status: 02/10/2009-First reading

This bill would abolish the California Children and Families Commission (First 5) and the county children and families commissions, effective 90 days after the bill is approved by the voters at a statewide election. The bill would require the county commissions to distribute 50% of their unencumbered local First 5 funds to county treasurers and the remaining 50% to county offices of education to be shared with school districts in the county. It would also require any unencumbered funds held by First 5 to be transferred to the state General Fund (GF). Additionally, future cigarette tax revenues that would have been directed to First 5 and the county commissions would instead be directed to the General Fund. The bill would then require these GF funds to be appropriated by the Legislature for the purposes of the Healthy Families Program and the Medi-Cal program.

## **Bills That MRMIB Is No Longer Reporting**

**SBX3 24** (Alquist) Medi-Cal: continuous eligibility: semiannual status reports.

Version: Amended 03/16/2009

Sponsor: Author

Status: 03/23/2009-PASSED in Senate. To ASSEMBLY

The bill was amended to relate to Medi-Cal continuous eligibility for children 19 years of age and younger. The bill no longer impacts MRMIB. This bill would have declared the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation implementing specified changes to federal law reauthorizing the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP).